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<u>Remarks</u>

Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested. The disclosure was objected to. The disclosure has now been corrected and should be in full conformance. The title has been amended as suggested. No new matter has been added.

Claims 1, 5-12 and 14-15 were rejected on the ground of non-statutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1, 2-10 and 12-13 of US Patent No. 7,077,931.

Attached is a terminal disclaimer that should obviate the double patenting rejection.

Claims 1, 2, 4, 7-8 and 14-15 were rejected on the ground of non-statutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1, 6-9, 12 and 14 of copending Application No. 10/541,435. This is merely a provisional rejection because the claims have not in fact been patented and there is therefore no need to respond to this rejection yet.

Claim 1 was provisionally rejected on the ground of non-statutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 27 and 29-31 of copending Application No. 11/280,915 in view of Yin (US 6,569,284). This is merely a provisional rejection because the claims have not in fact been patented and there is therefore no need to respond to

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this rejection yet.

Claim 1 was provisionally rejected on the ground of non-statutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 27-34 of copending Application No. 11/287,065 in view of Yin (US 6,569,284). This is merely a provisional rejection because the claims have not in fact been patented and there is therefore no need to respond to this rejection yet.

The application is now submitted to be in condition for allowance, and such action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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